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SUBJECT: SPORTS DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE: SOFTBALL

1. BELIZE SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION (BSA) OFFICIALS HAVE REQUESTED ASSISTANCE IN BRINGING AN INTERNATIONAL SOFTBALL FEDERATION (ISF) DELEGATION TO BELIZE TO PROMOTE WORLD-CLASS SOFTBALL DEVELOPMENT. PROGRAM WOULD INCLUDE CLINICS IN BELIZE CITY AND DISTRICTS BY TWO INDIVIDUALS, ONE TO TRAIN COACHES AND ONE TO TRAIN UMPIRES. BEST TIMING APPEARS TO BE LATE JANUARY OR EARLY FEBRUARY 1975.

2. DON E. PORTER, ISF PRESIDENT, HAS INDICATED TO BSA OFFICIALS, HIS ABILITY TO PROVIDE PERSONNEL IF CU WILL COORDINATE AND SUPPLY TRANSPORTATION. PORTER WILL VISIT BELIZE AND OTHER CENTRAL AMERICAN COUNTRIES IN NOVEMBER, 1974.

3. REQUEST DEPARTMENT CONTACT PORTER IN OKLAHOMA CITY SOONEST TO EXPLORE POSSIBILITY OF CU ASSISTANCE. PROJECT WOULD HAVE HIGH VIAIBILITY AS BELIZE WON GIRLS SOFTBALL TITLE IN 1974 CARIBBEAN GAMES. A RECENT VISIT AND MATCH WITH THE AUSTRALIA GIRLS SOFTBALL TEAM (HE IN RECENT WORLD COMPETITION) DREW CLOSE TO 10,000 IN THIS VERY SMALL COUNTRY. DRISCOLL

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